

Will Medicare **PAY** for Care in My Home?



Medicare does pay for care in the home, a service known as home healthcare. However, before you try to get care for yourself or a loved one, it's important to understand some facts about Medicare

coverage. With this infographic, created by Interim HealthCare and 65 Incorporated, you will get some basic information to help you determine if home healthcare services are right for you or your family.

1 out of every 10

Medicare beneficiaries receive homecare services paid for by Medicare.¹

36.2

The average number of Medicare-reimbursed homecare visits received per year.²



90%

of all seniors want to remain in their own home as they age.³

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Requirements For Homecare Services Paid For By Medicare.

1 The person must be **HOMEBOUND**.



Because of an illness or injury, it is very difficult for the person receiving care to leave home.

A PHYSICIAN **2** must order the services.



The doctor writes a care plan for the patient that the homecare team carries out.

3 Care is provided as **VISITS**.



Family caregivers support the patient when the homecare team is not in the home.

Care is given by a **PROFESSIONAL**. **4**



A medical professional, such as a nurse or a therapist, is needed to provide the services safely and effectively.

WHAT TYPES OF SERVICES WILL **MEDICARE** COVER?

YES

Injections

Wound Care



Teaching Services
such as taking medications, special diets and bandage changes

NO

24-Hour Care

Meal Delivery



Homemaker Services
such as shopping, laundry and house cleaning

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